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Why Focus Internationally?

Economies of Scale

Sell more overseas and reduce costs in the U.S.

Environmental Concerns

- Other countries moving in the direction of mandating GHG emission reductions
- Carbon taxes, etc.
- Must respond to and be in coordination with world trends to ensure survival of U.S. AFV equipment manufacturers

Chile: An Update

- 300 Converted NGV Taxis
- 5 CNG Re-fueling Stations
- US\$25,000 Subsidy in Place for CNG Buses
- Solicitation to be released in early 1993 for bus routes with favorable treatment/preferential routes for CNG buses
- Nascent effort to consider converting fleets of vehicles to CNG at the airport in Santiago, Chile
 - Scoping Mission by Blue Energy

Insight on the Potential in Central America and the Caribbean for AFVs

Costa Rica

 Muni Figueres Facio, Fundacion Costa Rica Para el Desarrollo Sostenible
 Jose Ross, Escuela de Electronica, Instituto Tecnologico de Costa Rica

Guatemala

 Carlos Humberto Pérez Rodríguez, Escuela de Ingeniería Mecánica Eléctrica, Universidad de San Carlos

Trinidad and Tobago

- Leslie P. Walker, L & W Engineering Equipment Ltd.
- Edison Issac, Public Transport Service Corporation

Conclusions

- Global Trends Cannot Be Ignored to Ensure Survival of U.S. AFV Industry
- Opportunities in the Americas for the Deployment of U.S. AFV Technology Exist and Should be Cultivated
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